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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN

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SUBJ: HARTMAN DISCUSSIONS WITH FOREIGN MINISTER

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1. PARA 5 OF YOUR REFTTEL SPEAKS OF POSSIBILITY THAT TURKS WILL REVERT IN VIENNA TO THEIR AIRPORT AND FAMAGUSTA PORT PROPOSALS. I HOPE THEY CAN BE DISSUADED FROM DOING SO. PROPOSALS AS NOW RE-CAST BY THEM WOULD FOR VERY GOOD REASON BE REJECTED OUT OF HAND BY CLERIDES AND WOULD IMMEDIATELY WORSEN, NOT BETTER, THE ATMOSPHERE. AS MY TALK WITH HIM THIS MORNING (SEPTTEL) SHOWED, CLERIDES IS INTERESTED IN DISCUSSING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF A SOLUTION NOT ENDORSING FAITS ACCOMPLIS ON MATTERS OF NEGLIGIBLE INTEREST, WHICH AIRPORT AND FAMAGUSTA PORT OPERATION HAVE BECOME WITH THE PASSAGE OF TIME. WE CAN BE ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN THAT HE WOULD CONSIDER REITERATION OF TURKISH PROPOSALS ON THESE A PROPAGANDA EXERCISE TO BE REJECTED OUT OF HAND.
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